Advertisement and Regulation of Trade and Commerce, Production, Supply and Distribution) Act, 2003" provides for measures like total ban on advertisement of tobacco products, prohibition of smoking in public places, ban on sale of tobacco products to persons below 18 years of age and within a radius of 100 yards of educational institutions to discourage the use of tobacco products. The Act covers all tobacco products and is applicable to the whole country.

Export of low quality wheat by STC

10. SHRI RAVULA CHANDRA SEKAR REDDY: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether STC has exported low quality wheat resulting in huge losses during the last one year;

(b) if so, the cause of such losses; and

(c) how the losses are being subsidized?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SATYABRATA MOOKHERJEE): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Technical agreements of MNCs with Indian Companies

†11. SHRI BALKAVI BAIRAGI: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Multi National Companies bidding to acquire projects in India could be forced to enter into a technical agreements or otherwise with the Indian companies;

(b) whether it is also a fact that Government propose to implement the same on the basis of the proposal prepared by the Standing Committee of the Ministry; and

(c) if so, by when it is likely to be implemented along with the details thereof?

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.